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Cadiz, April 24.

THe Sieur *Evertz*, Admiral of the Dutch Squadron here, had received orders to take on board his ships 1000 men, and to sail for *Sicily*: but the news of the French having quitted *Messina*, being confirmed, those orders were countermanded, and he directed to stay here till he should have the Kings farther intentions signified to him. The Merchants here are very busie about lading the Galions; but they of the Commerce, have sent to pray the King, that the said Galions may not depart till the Fleet does, because of the apprehension they have, that they may meet with the Count *d'Estree*.

Madrid, May 5. The King continues to divert himself this season at *Aranjuez*, where as well as here hath been great rejoycing, on account of the French having quitted *Messina*. The Count *de Monterey* will command the Kings Forces in *Catalonia* this Summer, whither Troops are sent daily from *Castile*, and other parts, to reinforce the Army there. From *Cadiz* we have advice, that the Sieur *Evertzen* was sailed from thence with the Dutch Squadron to Cruise on the Coasts of *Catalonia*. The departure of the Galions is deferred till the arrival of an Advice-boat, which is expected from *New Spain*.

Naples, May 3. From *Messina* we have an account, that a Placaet had been published, by which all those that quitted their Country, and are retired with the French into *France*, are declared Rebels, and their Estates confiscated. The Viceroy had likewise commanded all the French Mony to be brought in, in order the melting it down, and coining it anew with the Spanish Stamp; and shewed little kindness to the Priests and Friars of several Orders there, who had been great instruments in withdrawing that City from their Allegiance to the King of *Spain*, and some particular persons who were most active in those commotions, have been banished.

Venice, May 14. It is some time since we gave you an account, that the Grand Visier had demanded a very large Sum of Mony of the Republick of *Ragousa*, by way of Tribute, and that its Deputies at *Constantinople* had been imprisoned, because the said Monies were not paid within the time limited, the Republick of *Ragousa* declaring they could not submit to such an Imposition, and besides that, they were not able to raise the Sum required of them; but that not contenting the Grand Visier, he has it's seems resolved to make use of force to oblige them to it; and accordingly we have advice, that the Bassa of *Bossina* is marching with 2000 men towards *Ragousa*, and that the alarm in that City is very great thereupon.

Vienna, May 8. The Marquis *de Falces*, Ambassador of *Spain*, hath among other things, presented the Empress with a Collar of Diamonds, valued at 30000 Ducats. Their Imperial Majesties, and the whole Court, are at present at *Laxemburg*, where they will continue some time.

Ditto, May 12. On Sunday last arrived here another Turkish Chiaus, who had yesterday his Audience of the President of the Council of War, to whom he declared his Errand, which was chiefly to give his Imperial Majesty an account, that the Grand Signior had appointed a new Grand Vizier. We continue in all these parts to make Recruits for the Imperial Regiments as well of Horse as Foot. From *Hungary* we have advice, that several thousands of the Rebels, under the command of their General *Teckeley*, were come as far as *Westermin*, and that it was thought they had a design to besiege that place. The new Spanish Ambassador had yesterday Audience of the Emperor.

Hamburg, May 20. We are now told for a certain, that the *Munster* Troops will pass the *Schelde* on Tuesday next. From *Berlin* we have an account, that the Elector of *Brandenburg* intended to take the Field about the middle of the next month; and that in the mean time the necessary preparations were making for it. The Danish Fleet is now at Sea, and, as it's believ'd, hath taken its course towards the Isle of *Gotland*, where several Suedish Ships have lately appeared. From *Dantzicke* they write, that the Magistrates continued to make a very strict enquiry after the Authors of the late Tumult; in order to an exemplary punishment, thereby to prevent the resentment which it's feared the King of *Poland* will have of what has happened to the Roman Catholicks in this disorder. The Treaty between the Poles and the Turks remains hitherto unratified.

From the Imperial Head-quarter at Urlaffe, *May* 20. The Duke of *Lorrain* has drawn out the Garison that was at *Offenburg*, to join the Army, and has sent 800 men of the Regiment of *Dungen* thither. To morrow we expect the rest of the *Lorrain* Troops, and some other Regiments; and then it's believed we shall decamp in a day or two. The Sieur *de Monclar* has been with a Body of Horse under the Cannon of *Strasburg*, to observe the posture we are in; after which he returned to his Camp at *Benfelden*.

Strasburg, May 20. The French begin to be strong in these parts, and the Troops arrive daily from *Burgundy* and other parts; it is said that they have already an Army of 30000 men between *Ruffach* and *Schlestadt*, and that besides 20 Squadrons of the Troops of the Kings Houshold are arrived at *Gemer*, and the Troops that are expected from *Lorrain* are not yet come up, so that it's believed Mareschal *Crequi* will not have less than an Army of 40000 men. The French in the mean time are drawing a Line from *Schlestadt* to *Kastenbotz*, and intend to fortifie it with several Redoubts, &c. We have just now advice, that the Imperialists are marching; we cannot yet penetrate into their designs, but the general opinion now is, that they will pass the *Rhine*.

Cologne, May 24. It having been agreed, as we told you in our last, among the Confederate Princes, to form a Body of an Army on the *Meuse*, we are told